

Cart for stacking pipe

Reduces awkward lifting



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Description

At the end of the manufacturing process, PVC pipe is often palletized and banded for shipping. Stacking pipe on a pallet at floor level results in repetitive bending at the back, something that can eventually lead to back injury. Placing pipe on pallets also requires a pallet jack or forklift to move the full pallet. PW Pipe, a Washington manufacturer, came up with a cart that pipe can be stacked and banded on, reducing the amount of bending required and allowing the stacked pipe to be moved around without additional equipment.



The old way: Bending over to place pipe on a pallet at floor level.



The new way: Pipe stacked on the cart means less bending.

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